

SENATOR F. CARSTENS: Mr. President, members of the legislature I take a rather odd view of a.a., on resolutions. Because I realize as all of you do that most resolutions are designed for consumption of the home folks or by the home folks but on this resolution I could not support and we always get into a bind because when you can't support the resolution whole heartedly you always look like you are kind of an evil spirit floating around. But to send a resolution to the contress to ask them to roll back the price of fuel oil to 33¢ a gallon is just ridiculous. It just won't be done, and we know that before we do it. But I would very strongly support Senator Whitney's amendment because it makes some sense. We are not going to get back a roll back to what we might call pre-war levels because Canada is our largest exporting nation, we import more oil from Canada despite all of the talk about the Arabian oil, but we import more oil from Canada than from any other nation. Canada has added approximately \$4.00 a barrel or \$5.00 a barrel sir tax on each barrel imported and we have got a considerable amount of oil from Venzeula and that has been raised by not doubled, but tripled in price and so on down the line. IN other words the oil that we are buying has not risen by a certain percentage it has risen double and tripled in price. To make believe and even suggest that to the truckers that by some magic that we can get them to get the federal government to roll back the price of disel fuel to 33¢ a gallon is not realistic. IN a few months six weeks or so we are going to have the same thing on the matter of fertilizer. Now, then it is going to be the same thing on the matter of farm fuel, they are all going to be short and we are going to be passing resolutions, resolutions and meaningless resolutions that won't accomplish anything. I would much rather see that we would try and get this thing on realistic focus, and I think that Senator Whitney's approach is sound. If the petroleum prices can be rolled back I'm sure that it will be done without a resolution but that is still not going to help sufficiently because the adjustment of the increase in the price of operation by the trucker is the key to some of us, not all of us. Now yesterday for the first time in at least since before the first of December Amoco Oil Company announced the drop of whole-sale prices by 2¢ a gallon and heating and I suppose that would include disel oil they are practically the same to or by 1¢ a gallon. That is a very small thing but at least it is an indication that maybe we are going to see a different direction in this. So with the Whitney amendment I would support this resolution. Without I don't know what to do but it doesn't seem to me that it is sound for us to be sending resolutions to Washington which we know before we send that they are not going to have very much effect. They are not going to be regarded very highly We ought to do something that is worthwhile and realistic and something that can be realistically accomplished.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President, fellow members, I think that we have rolled back some of our prices, and I think that we had a steel roll back at one time, now why can't we roll back fuel, or disel fuel? Just open up your newspapers we feel that we don't have figures, look at their profits and look at where the stock has gone, some of it has doubled, and tripled on us. Now as far as adding on to the freight you are....Senator Whitney you are asking for more inflation. We have got to put a stop to inflation. Somebody has got to